

Figure 1A

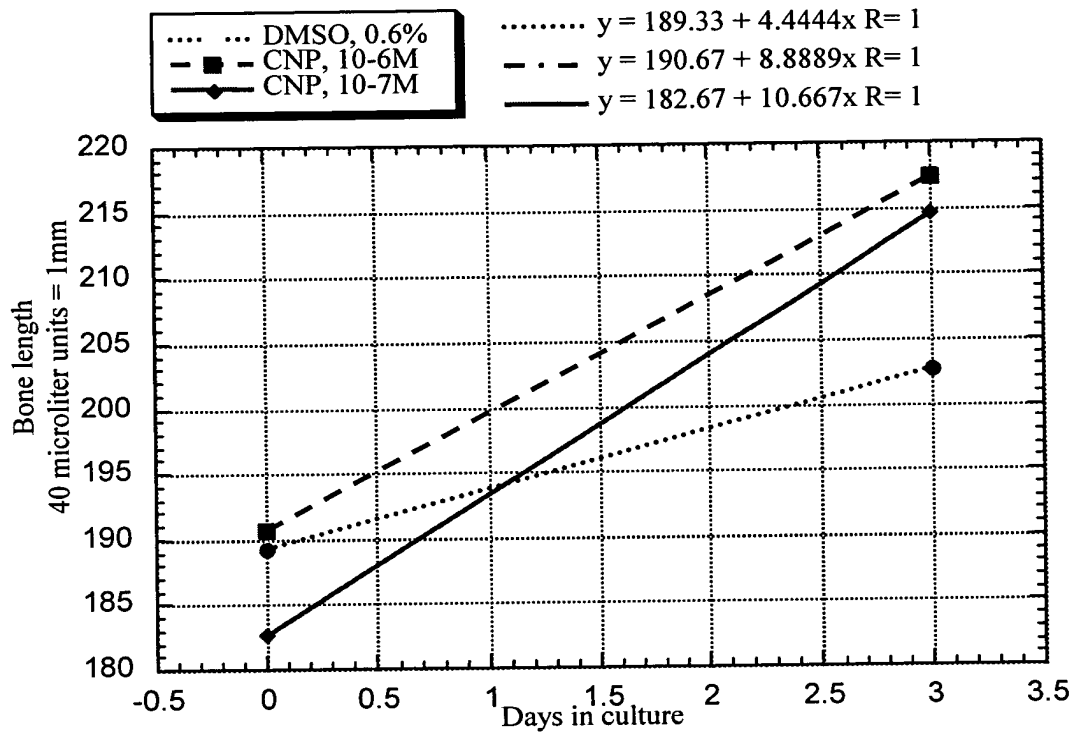


Figure 1B

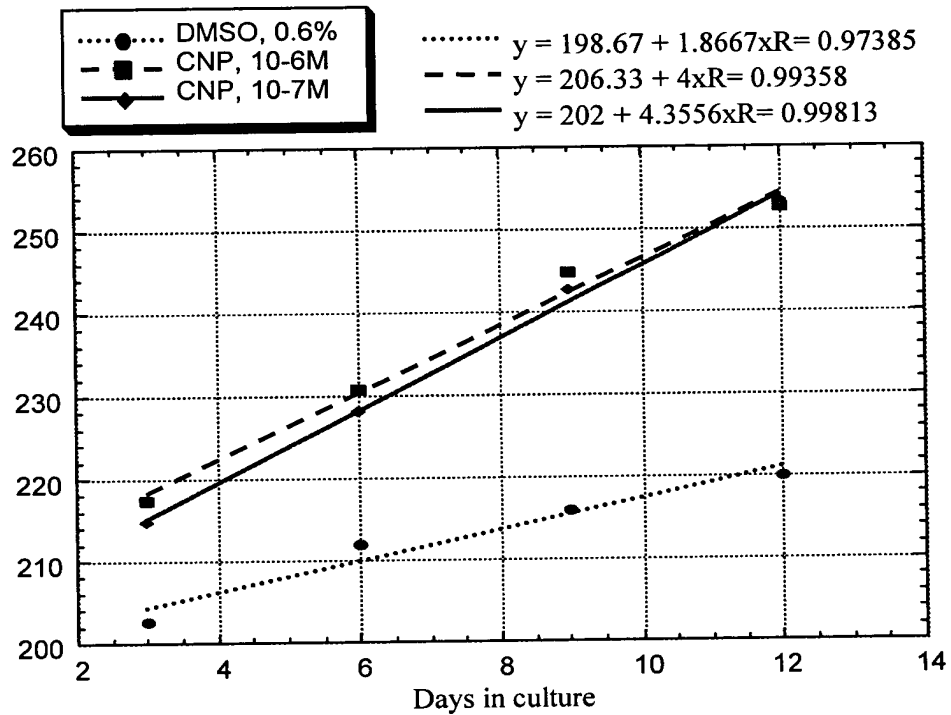


Figure 2A

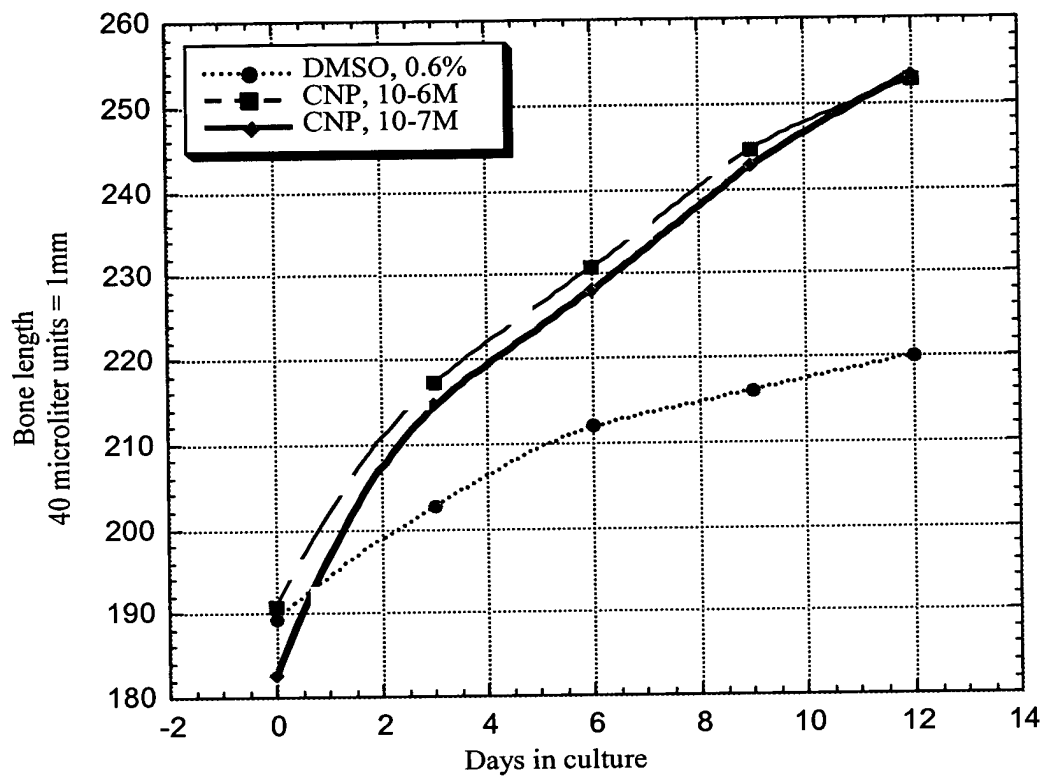
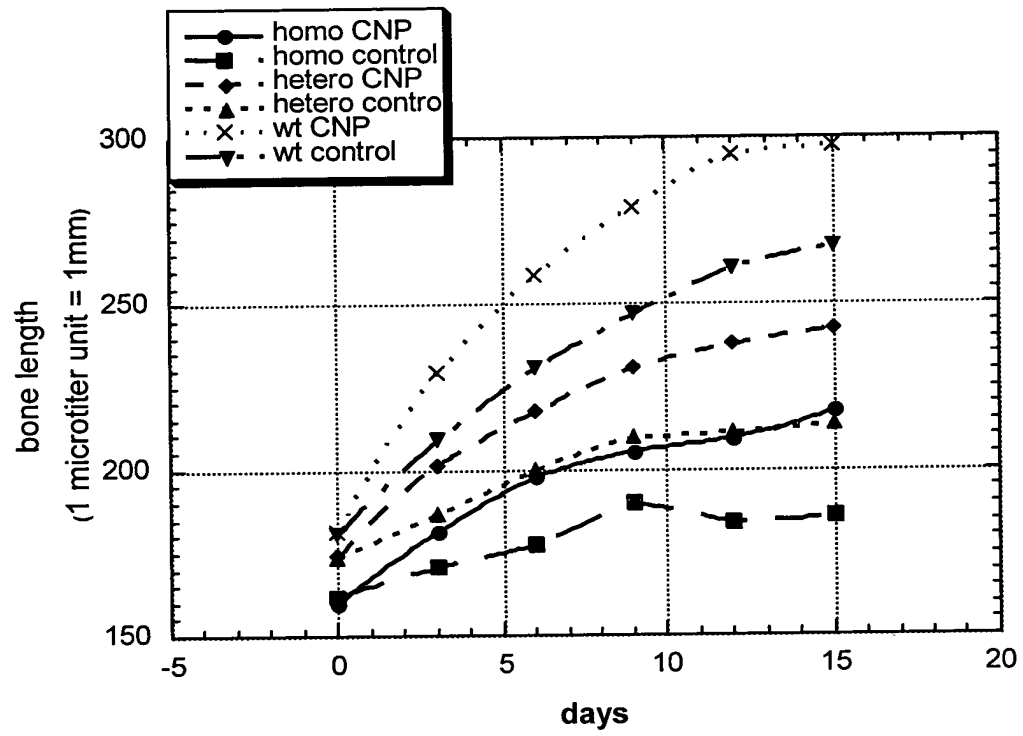


Figure 2B



CNP 1-22 SEQ ID NO:1

CNP 5-22 SEQ ID NO:2

CFGLKLDRI GMSGLGC

Human ANP: SEQ ID NO:3
 Human BNP-32: SEQ ID NO:4
 Human CNP 1-22: SEQ ID NO:1
 SEQ ID NO:5
 Cys-Phe-Gly-Xaa-Xbb-Xcc-Asp-Arg-Ile-Gly-Xdd-Xee-Ser-Xff-Xgg-Gly-Cys

**Xaa=Leu, Ile, Val; Xbb=Lys, Leu, Met; Xcc=Leu, Ile, Ala, Val;
Xdd=Ser, Ala, Gly, Thr, Asn; Xee=Met, Ala, Lys, Trp; Xff=Gly, Lys, Ala, Leu; Xgg=Leu, Met**

Figure 4

